

SUPREME COUNCIL WILL BE DISSOLVED

Coordinating Committee to
Act Until United States
Ratifies Treaty.

BIG PROBLEMS LEFT OPEN

Other Matters Will Be Re-
ferred to the Several Foreign
Offices for Decision.

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PARIS, Oct. 16.—A decided change in plans has taken place here with respect to future operations under the peace treaty, which is the reason for the decision taken yesterday afternoon not to put the treaty into effect this week, as had been contemplated. This change is not because of any idea that the United States Senate will act or can be forced to approve the treaty before it is put into effect. It is accepted without question here that the Senate will not act for several weeks yet and there appears to be no intention of postponing the actual operation of the treaty for so long a time as that, much as France, Great Britain and Italy would like to have American representatives on the various commissions from the start.

What has happened here is that the Powers suddenly discovered they were without a programme of plan for the period which begins the minute the treaty becomes effective.

Programme as Arranged.

As a result a general study is being made of the situation with these plans practically agreed upon:

First, the Supreme Council as it now exists, and with it virtually the peace conference, will be discontinued with the conclusion of the Bulgarian and Hungarian peace treaties, which it is hoped will be by December 1. The idea of continuing it as an interallied directing body to watch Europe and such matters as the Russian question and Turkey has been abandoned completely.

Second, in its place it has been decided to form a coordinating committee representing the five principal Powers to act as a clearing house for the various commissions functioning under the German and other treaties. This committee will differ from the Supreme Council by the fact that it cannot make decisions itself, but must pass all questions along the respective foreign offices. It will, however, be a central body with headquarters at Paris, and even the reparations committee will refer questions to it.

Third, questions like Russia, Turkey and other general problems will be left unsettled and will be handled through the foreign offices in the old way until the League Council is regularly constituted and its powers in these matters have been agreed upon at the first general meeting of the league.

Fourth, the Council of the League at the first meeting, by general agreement, will not take up anything except Saar, Danzig and Gileks problems and will not begin to act as a continuing body until after the first meeting.

Will Organize Without U. S.

It is believed here that the Senate certainly will act on reservations before the end of November, allowing any changes to be brought before the present Supreme Council. All the five powerful commissions under the treaty are to be organized for the time being without the United States unless the Foreign Relations Committee should change its decision. In the meantime it is apparently settled that American troops are to assist in policing Europe, even before ratification.

Under Secretary of State Polk has strongly urged this and Secretary Baker's announcement that the troops are ready to be sent indicates that Washington has again changed front either with or without consultation with the Senate.

The plan of action as outlined does not entirely meet the approval of the French, who have been insisting upon the necessity of the Supreme Council continuing indefinitely. The council being in Paris, and presided over by Premier Clemenceau, this feeling is natural. But the British and Americans vetoed the plan, it now appears. Both were anxious to seem to have the peace conference disband with the completion of the Hungarian treaty.

The question raised by the French is: What body is going to see to the enforcement of the treaty provisions? As the Echo de Paris says this morning: "It is necessary to assure the various countries of international guarantee. Who will furnish them? On this capital point the treaty remains silent. The various Governments appear to be as much surprised by peace as they were before by war and the armistice."

AUSTRIA TO RATIFY
PEACE TREATY SOON

Assembly Orders Committee
to Make a Report.

By the Associated Press.

VIENNA, Oct. 15 (delayed).—Austria's National Assembly met to-day for consideration of the peace treaty framed by the Peace Conference at Paris and signed at St. Germain on September 10 last. Dr. Karl Seitz, President of the republic, presided. The treaty was referred to a special committee.

It is probable that the treaty committee will make its report by the end of the week and that ratification will take place then.

Dr. Otto Bauer, Minister of Socialization, announced his retirement from the Government. He will take the leadership of the Opposition.

Rector for Berlin University.

By the Associated Press.

Berlin, Oct. 15 (delayed).—Dr. Eduard Meyer, historian, brother of the late Dr. Kuno Meyer, was inaugurated rector of Berlin University to-day.

FRANCE TO ACCEPT U. S. PACT CHANGES

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Great Britain's strength, whereof the French now seem fearful.

The reason why France did not urge votes for her colonies in the early discussions of the treaty, it is explained, was because she feared the effect this might have on the Sultan of Morocco, giving him a feeling of independence. This is now apparently changed, as a result of which the whole French chamber is practically demanding more votes for France.

The deposit of the ratifications in the French Foreign Office makes to-day significant, for it marks the real birth of the League of Nations, which comes into legal existence automatically through the deposit of the ratifications.

Discussion of some of the steps to be taken in connection with the treaty came up yesterday in the Supreme Council, but under Secretary Polk virtually took no part in it. This is believed to have been due to instructions from American officials to refrain from taking part in the discussion of the treaty, which is being handled by the United States.

It is expected that President Wilson will issue a call in the next few days for the first meeting of the Council of the League of Nations, which is the most of absorbing interest at the moment as marking the first attempt of the league to function with only four full fledged members. Italy has appointed Foreign Minister Tittoni as its member, France has named Senator Leon Bourgeois, and the British member probably will be Lord Robert Cecil. The Belgian representative has not been announced yet, and apparently the plan to have Spain represented has been abandoned.

About this first meeting and the course of the league, confusion still prevails. Efforts by the American delegates here to get the council to confine itself merely to action of the Saar and Danzig questions continue, but there seems to be a notable divergence between their opinions and those of the French. The Americans contend that the league should do virtually nothing until the United States acts; the French insist that the league cannot be held up in this way if it is to act as planned.

Plans Under Way
TO START LEAGUE

Wilson May Issue Call on
Peace Ratification.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16.—While no official declaration can be made in advance of the action of the Senate on the treaty of Versailles, it was learned unofficially to-day that plans were being laid for bringing the League of Nations into existence almost immediately upon the publication in Paris of the ratification of the treaty by Great Britain, France, Italy and Germany, which will put it into force.

Although the United States can not participate in the initial stages of the league's work, it is held here that the decision has been reached to have President Wilson issue a call for the first meeting of the council of the league within the fifteen day period provided in the treaty for the appointment by the council of three members of the commission which is to determine the boundary of the Saar Basin.

Article V of the covenant provides that decisions of the council "shall require the agreement of all of the members of the league represented at the meeting," and it is held here that this does not specifically require the attendance of an American member to legalize such decisions.

No less than fifteen commissions created by the peace treaty appear to require American participation, and certain plebiscites confirming title to various disputed territories also are to be conducted under a joint international control. The present view of the officials here, however, is that representatives of Great Britain, France, Italy and possibly Japan, whose ratification of the treaty is expected daily, will function in these matters without any challenge of the legality of the proceedings on account of the absence of the American representatives.

House Made Plans in London.

Plans for the inauguration of the league were discussed by Col. E. M. House during his recent stay in England, and he is understood to have pursued the work as far as he felt warranted in advance of the action of the Senate on the treaty. It also is understood that quarters for the league secretariat in Geneva tentatively have been obtained, and while in London Col. House is believed to have arranged with the representative of other nations a tentative programme for the first meeting of the league.

If Col. House's health permits he is expected in Washington perhaps next week, and it will then be in order to frame the call for the first meeting of the council of the league, which President Wilson's physicians are expected to permit him to sign.

In the view of officials here this first meeting of the council must arrange for the appointment of the various commissions and the plebiscite described in the treaty, but aside from that its proceedings are expected to be rather limited. Later on, if this initial stage is safely passed and the Senate shall have consented to the ratification of the treaty, the President will issue a call for the first meeting of the assembly of the league, which will be in Washington some time early next year.

Under pressure from Washington and with the approval of the American delegation in Paris, the participation of this Government in the proceedings of the Peace Conference in Paris is rapidly nearing an end. Unless there are some untoward developments officials here be-

lieve it will be possible for the delegation to wind up its work within a month. While the illness of the President has prevented the personal participation of him of the later phases of the Supreme Council's deliberations, it is stated that this has not retarded the winding up of the work. Secretary Lansing said to-day he had acted upon questions submitted from Paris for a decision by the Administration. None of these questions really present any new features except in small details, and the President already has determined the position of the American Government upon the large principles involved and made known his views to the Cabinet members concerned. This is said to be true even to the conflicting claims of Italy and Jugoslavia to Fiume and other portions of the Adriatic coast, which appear now to be in a fair way to amicable settlement.

With the stand of the American delegation on the Adriatic questions defined, there remain only two subjects requiring final action in which the American delegation is vitally interested, the announcement of the ratification of the German treaty and the completion of the Austrian-Hungarian treaty, for these are the only countries with which America actually went to war. State Department officials expect the publication of the process verbal, marking the beginning of the peace with Germany, to be made in the official French Journal early next week, and it is hoped that similar action can be taken regarding Austria-Hungary a fortnight afterwards.

Negotiations for peace with Bulgaria and Turkey must go on for some time after that, but with those America is not officially concerned, not having been at war with those countries. It is possible, however, that to continue the understanding under which these countries may enter the League of Nations the signature of an authorized American plenipotentiary will be required to the final peace treaties. But it is said it will not be necessary for the American delegation to remain in Paris on that account.

GERMANS GO TO PARAGUAY.
Emigration Societies Acquire Extensive Lands There.

BERLIN, Oct. 16.—It is announced that German emigration societies have acquired in Paraguay and the nearby region in northern Argentina extensive lands appropriate for colonization by German emigrants.

The republics mentioned, it is stated, favored the acquisition of this land because of their desire for the speedy cultivation of vast, undeveloped stretches of country.

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COALITION CABINET DESIRED IN HUNGARY

Sir George Clark to Take Demands of Allies to Budapest.

PARIS, Oct. 16.—The Temps in an article dealing with the mission of Sir George Clark says it appears that the allied and associated Powers are completely opposed to the convocation of the former Hungarian Chamber, which is the intention of the present Hungarian Government.

The newspaper adds that the Allies desire that a government representing all the Magyar parties be constituted as soon as possible to take the place of the Friedrich Government and that elections be held afterward. In order to accomplish this programme it would be necessary to call into power members of other parties, the Socialists and representatives of the group headed by Martin Lovassy, former Premier and Foreign Minister, already being there. Generally speaking, says the Temps, the Friedrich Government appears to be a mere dummy for Archduke Joseph.

The Supreme Council of the Peace

Conference decided this morning to send a representative to Budapest to deal with new complications in the situation there. The emissary selected is Sir George Clark, who was sent last week by the council to Bucharest with a note to the Rumanian Government in connection with the Rumanian occupation of Hungary. Sir George returned to Paris from this mission on October 7.

The decision to dispatch him now to the Hungarian capital was caused by the receipt of a telegram from the inter-allied mission in Budapest complaining of the dilatory tactics of the Rumanians and demanding that they be compelled to withdraw from Hungary immediately.

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